

HOUSE BILL 2203

By Parkinson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39
and Title 55, Chapter 16, relative to demolition of
vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-16-109, is amended by adding
the following as a new subsection (c):

(c) A demolisher who purchases, receives or otherwise acquires a motor vehicle shall contact the local law enforcement agency to inquire as to whether the vehicle has been reported as "stolen" if the demolisher does not also acquire the certificate of title, auction sales receipt, or a certificate of authority for disposal of that motor vehicle. If the vehicle is not identified as stolen, the demolisher shall stay demolition of the vehicle for three (3) business days at which point the demolisher shall contact the local law enforcement agency a second time. If the vehicle is not identified as stolen after the second inquiry, the demolisher may demolish the vehicle.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.